

CLAIMS

1. A container blank (1) comprising
5 a bottom-forming wall (3) and two opposite side
walls (2), said walls (2, 3) being joined along boundary
lines (9, 10, 13) to form an essentially flat container
blank (1), the container blank having
an upper portion (5),
10 a bottom portion (7),
a central portion (6) defined by the upper portion
(5) and the bottom portion (7) and also by a front bound-
ary line (9) and an intermediate boundary line (13), said
portions (5, 6, 7) being arranged along the longitudinal
15 axis (L) of the container blank (1), and
a handle portion (8) defined by the intermediate
boundary line (13) and a rear boundary line (10),
c h a r a c t e r i s e d i n t h a t
the intersections (A, B, C, D) between the front
20 boundary line (9) and respectively the rear boundary line
(10) and the upper portion (5) and the bottom portion (7)
constitute corners of a parallelogram comprising an angle
of inclination (α) relative to the longitudinal axis (L)
of the container blank (1), in which parallelogram the
... front boundary line (9) forms an angle which is acute
25 towards the bottom portion (7) and
the front boundary line (9) and the intermediate
boundary line (13) along the longitudinal axis (L) of
the container blank (1) give the central portion (6) an
30 essentially symmetrical, frustoconical shape.

2. A container blank as claimed in claim 1, in which
the front boundary line (9) has a concave curvature rela-
tive to the central portion (6).

3. A container blank as claimed in claim 1, in which the front boundary line (9) has a complementary curvature to the rear boundary line (10).

5 4. A container blank as claimed in claim 1, in which the handle portion (8) comprises a handle-forming duct means (15) intended for gas filling.

10 5. A container blank as claimed in claim 1, in which the bottom portion (7) and the central portion (6) together, in a container (21) made of the container blank (1), define a volume corresponding to at least 80% of the volume intended for the container (21).

15 6. A container blank as claimed in claim 1, comprising a duct means (14) intended for filling, said duct means having an extent towards the interior of the container blank (1).

20 7. A container blank as claimed in claim 6, in which the duct means (14) intended for filling tapers towards the interior of the container blank (1).

25 8. A container blank as claimed in claim 1, comprising a spout-like duct means (17).

30 9. A container blank as claimed in claim 8, in which the spout-like duct means (17) has an end portion (18) with a tear initiation.

35 10. A container blank as claimed in claim 9, in which the end portion (18) is wholly or partially delimited from the rest of the spout-like duct means (17) by a zone (19) weakened by thinning of material, the end portion (18) being manually separable, by the weakened zone (19), from the rest of the spout-like duct means (17).

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11. A container (21) produced by filling of a container blank having the features as claimed in any one of claims 1-10.